



knowing how much some well-meaning people might make of such a courtesy; but she said, with entire kindness of manner:

"I am Mrs. Ullstone, madam—a neighbor of yours for years, though we've not chanced to meet. Cities are heartless places. I assure you that I don't know one in twenty of the families on my own street, long though I've lived there."

"Just like me," responded the neighbor, innocently neglecting to give her own name. "Almost all of our friends live in other streets—some of them a good way off."

"I know your face very well, though. It is a real motherly face, and I myself am a mother above all things. I dropped in to talk to you frankly on a subject which only mothers can understand. You have a very charming daughter."

"She's the best girl in the world, Mrs. Ullstone."

"I'm sure she is! I know girls well; but I've never seen a sweeter and better face."

"Then you do know girls," came the reply with extreme emphasis.

"I trust she is happily engaged?"

"To a young man? No, ma'am—not she. Her father and I think there's no man good enough for her; and, to tell

the truth, she seems to think so herself, though she's not a bit conceited."

The answer was not what Mrs. Ullstone had hoped for, but it was necessary to go farther.

"My dear madam, I beg that you will hold in strictest confidence what I am about to say. May I ask whether your daughter is acquainted with my son?"

"No, indeed!" was the reply, in a tone that startled Mrs. Ullstone, though the tone changed as the neighbor quickly added: "If she were, I should know it. There are no secrets between my daughter and me, particularly about young men."

"How comforting!" murmured Mrs. Ullstone, and then she rapidly continued: "It is my duty to tell you that my son has expressed the strongest admiration for your daughter."

"Oh, Mrs. Ullstone!"

"You can't wonder at it, I'm sure, my dear madam; nor can I, for, as I've already said, I never saw a better or sweeter face. It came about by accident, of course. My son has often seen your daughter through the garden fence, and he would be more than human were he not strongly impressed by her grace and beauty. Now, he has seen a great deal of society, as he has never had anything to do but make himself agreeable to ladies. I must admit that he is rather handsome, and, as he will be rich in the course of time, he has had much admiration; but never until now has he expressed an earnest preference for anyone. Of course, as he doesn't know your daughter, the situation is quite novel and embarrassing to me, and—"

"I should think so," interrupted the neighbor, who had begun to look very thoughtful.

"And I thought," continued Mrs. Ullstone, "that the best thing would be for me to come over and have an honest, confidential talk with you—a talk between mothers, for who can be more deeply interested than we?"

"You were quite right, ma'am," was the reply. "But I should like to ask you a question or two. You say your son has nothing to do but make himself agreeable to ladies. Isn't he in business?"

"Not as yet. He's shown no decided inclination toward anything, and, really, he does not need to work; our means are sufficient to support him handsomely."

"Does he belong to the church?"

"No; that is, he has not yet been confirmed."

"He drinks, I suppose? Most rich young men do."

"Sometimes he takes a glass or two of wine," Mrs. Ullstone answered, as she reddened a little.

"I suppose he belongs to a lot of clubs, too?" interrupted the neighbor.

"He is a member of four of the most select," replied Mrs. Ullstone, "and I wish he spent less time at them, for I don't think it being a proper preparation for the more serious duties of life."

"I guess, then, it won't be of any use for him to become acquainted with my daughter, for she has very strong views about such things."

"You think, then, that the young lady will not be likely to encourage any attentions my son may chance to offer her?"

"I know it, ma'am—I'll stake my life on it."

"Then," said Mrs. Ullstone, rising, "I presume I needn't say more, except that I'm greatly obliged for your courtesy."

"Don't mention it, ma'am," said the lady of the house, accompanying the visitor to the door, which closed a moment later with so violent a slam that Mrs. Ullstone, who had reached the sidewalk, stopped and looked inquiringly up at the parlor window, where she saw a face which showed signs of mingled indignation and pity. Mrs. Ullstone felt her heart beat with rage as she believed away, muttering to herself: "I do believe that woman thought I came to propose a marriage of her daughter to my son—and she thinks she's refused it!"

—Cause for Grief.

Mr. Binks—Why so unhappy?

Mrs. Binks—I hate that Mr. Next-door with deadly hate, and I'm perfectly miserable over it."

Mr. Binks—She doesn't know it.

Mrs. Binks—That's why I'm unhappy.—N. Y. Weekly.

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OVER THE RAILS.

On the railways in France passengers are sold cooked snails in packages.

When a man is killed on a railroad in Persia the natives pull up the tracks for miles and boycott the road.

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The Railway Age has issued its usual half-yearly statement of track laying, which shows that only 45 lines, aggregating 1,014.96 miles, have been built from January 1 to June 30 of the present year. It believes that the total construction for the whole year will be about 3,000 miles.

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—According to Canon Farrar, about 4,000 clergymen of the Church of England are out of employment. Another writer declares that about an equal number are miserably underpaid.

—Jay Gould's family is to build a memorial church at Roxbury, N. Y., costing \$250,000 and bearing on its corner stone this inscription: "To the glory of God and in the memory of Jay Gould."

—To do an evil action is base; to do a good action, without incurring danger, is common enough; but it is the part of a good man to do great and noble deeds, though he risks everything.—Plutarch.

—It is a great thing to love Christ so dearly as to be "ready to be bound and to die" for him, but it is often a thing not less great to be ready to take up our daily cross and to live for him.—John Caird.

—What is the purpose of life? "Happiness," says one. "No; usefulness," affirms another. A third assures us that "it is stoicism. The gospel alone teaches that the true end of life is character."—St. Louis Republic.

—Three panels of stained glass representing the command "Feed my sheep" will be placed in St. Margaret's church, near Westminster abbey, as a memorial to Phillips Brooks. The church will also send a subscription of \$1,000 to the Harvard memorial.

—Dr. Henry W. Williams, for many years professor of ophthalmology in the medical department of Harvard University, and who resigned two years ago, has promised the medical faculty \$25,000 for the endowment of a full professorship of ophthalmology.

—An Ohio church is reported in this year's narrative of the state of religion as having sold its parsonage and put the proceeds into a steamer. Whether the minister is expected to live in the steamer is not stated, and the state of religion indicated by this move is left to be inferred.—Boston Congregationalist.

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His Indian Name.

"May I ask what your Indian name is?" inquired a visitor at Jackson park the other day, addressing a dainty youth with a copper complexion who was leaning against the Indian school building.

"Injun name Not-Stock-On-My-Job," answered the noble young red man, unawakeningly.—Chicago Tribune

A Pointe Blanche.

"How did you make yourself so solid with the girl's mother?"

"Met her in the hall one evening when I called and mistook her for the daughter."—Detroit Free Press.

The Boy Didn't Care.

Young Man—I suppose you think I come here a great deal, don't you?

Small Boy—I don't think about it at all, but sister says it tries her most to death.—Detroit Free Press.

—The North Carolina Presbyterian explains that under the rules of the southern church a man who is once acquitted can not be tried again for the same alleged offense—thus the church conforms to the settled principles of civil law.—Interior

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